

Boxborough Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday May 6, 2015 Town Hall

Members present: Charlene Golden, Norm Hanover, David Koonce, and Dennis Reip (Chair).
Members absent: David Follett and Hoff Stuart. Dennis called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Motion was made by Charlene, seconded by Dennis and voted 3 – 0 with 1 abstention to approve the minutes of April 15, 2015.

Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis and unanimously voted to renew the Commission's membership in Sudbury Valley Trustees.

Motion was made by Charlene, seconded by Dennis, and unanimously voted to sign DEP 113-522 ORAD for 1190 Liberty Square Road.

Dennis reported on a complaint about tree cutting at MMAF. The complaint was submitted thru the Town's website by a Fifer's Lane resident. The Building Inspector was asked to check out the complaint. He reported that there was evidence of tree cutting. David Follett also checked it out and expressed the opinion that there was tree cutting in the Commission's jurisdiction. Dennis will ask the Building Inspector to contact Don McPherson at MMAF in an effort to obtain more information on the activity. The Commission will possibly invite Don and / or Greg Sheets to attend an upcoming meeting.

Dennis will ask Selina to check with Town Counsel on whether the Town still has the right of first refusal on the Coutts' property following the removal of the property from Chapter 61A in 2014.

8:00 NOI hearing cont. DEP no: 113- 523 Project Location: Cunningham and Ward Road
Assessor's Map 02-3-105-1.0, 105-2.0, and 105-3.0 and Map 02-3-103-0.0.

Property Owner: Arturo J. Gutierrez, Trustee / New Blue Hills Saugus Realty Trust

Applicant: Greg Belew, JPI (sale pending); Lead Reviewer: Norm Hanover

Representative: Carlton Quinn & Ryan Bianchetto, Allen & Major Assoc.

Project Description: the development of 244 apartment units, associated parking areas, parking structures, access drives, drainage facilities, wastewater treatment facility, water treatment facility, and related amenities and improvements.

Present: Carlton Quinn, Allen & Major; Sue Carter, Places Associates, Commission consultant.

Documents presented: Revised plans and drainage report dated March 26, 2015;

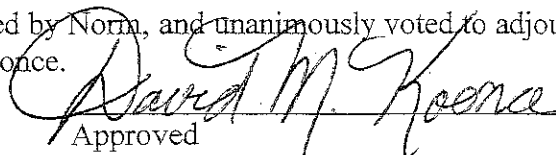
From Places Assoc. review of revised plans and drainage report and report of site visit on April 29, 2015.

Discussion: Comments were received from the Commission's consultant pursuant to the April 29 site visit to review the resource area boundary. Several wetland flags were relocated, none resulting in any new disturbance in resource areas. Also, a wetland area was added at the extreme north end of the site based on the DEP wetland layer in Oliver. Beaver activity was observed near Beaver Brook to the west of the project area. Sue Carter of Places pointed out the most major concern is keeping the road culverts clear of beaver blockages. The amount of fill and grading required for the project has been reduced.

Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis, and unanimously voted to close the hearing and approve the Order of Conditions as drafted by Norm and edited by the Commission.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Norm, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted, David M. Koonce.


Approved _____ Date 05/20/15